

IC 9-20-14

Chapter 14. Special Restrictions Concerning Tractor-Mobile Home Rigs and Required Permits

IC 9-20-14-1

Permit requirement

Sec. 1. Except as otherwise provided in section 4 of this chapter, a person may not operate a tractor-mobile home rig on an Indiana highway unless the person has a permit to operate the rig from:

- (1) the Indiana department of transportation; or
- (2) an agency or a political subdivision of the state designated by the Indiana department of transportation to issue permits.

As added by P.L.2-1991, SEC.8.

IC 9-20-14-2

Conditions for granting permits; local authorities; jurisdiction

Sec. 2. (a) The Indiana department of transportation or any agency or political subdivision of the state designated by the Indiana Department of Transportation shall grant a permit to operate a tractor-mobile home rig on an Indiana highway to a person upon the following conditions and upon the rules that the Indiana Department of Transportation prescribes:

- (1) The tractor-mobile home rig must be operated in a manner that will not impede traffic or increase the hazard to traffic.
- (2) The tractor-mobile home rig may be operated only on days other than Sunday and the legal holidays that the Indiana department of transportation prescribes. The tractor-mobile home rig may be operated between one-half (1/2) hour before sunrise and one-half (1/2) hour after sunset on any weekday, and between one-half (1/2) hour before sunrise and noon on Saturday.
- (3) The tractor-mobile home rig may be operated only over the roads or highways in the state highway system, including, except to the extent provided in section 5 of this chapter, the routes designated as federal highways and the state maintained routes through cities and towns. The tractor-mobile home rig may not extend past the center line of those roads and highways.
- (4) The person to whom the permit is granted shall present satisfactory evidence of the person's financial responsibility, as provided in IC 9-25, to the granting authority.
- (5) If in use as a towing vehicle component of a tractor-mobile home rig, the towing vehicle for which the permit is granted must have a wheelbase of not less than one hundred twenty (120) inches.
- (6) A permit granted for the towing vehicle component of a tractor-mobile home rig may be suspended or revoked by the Indiana department of transportation for violation of any of the conditions of the permit set forth in this section.
- (7) The towing vehicle may be operated only over the roads or

highways approved by the authority granting the permits.

(b) Except as provided in section 5 of this chapter, this section does not prevent a local authority with respect to highways and roads under the authority's jurisdiction from granting permission to operate a tractor-mobile home rig on roads and highways under the authority's jurisdiction that are not highways in the state highway system or state maintained routes through cities and towns.

As added by P.L.2-1991, SEC.8. Amended by P.L.125-1993, SEC.1; P.L.119-1995, SEC.4.

IC 9-20-14-3

General permits; special permits

Sec. 3. (a) An authority granting permits to operate tractor-mobile home rigs shall grant permits of two (2) general classes, as follows:

- (1) General permits, for the operation of tractor-mobile home rigs by a person, except a mobile home or sectionalized building owner, in the ordinary course of the person's business.
- (2) Special permits, for the operation of a tractor-mobile home rig by a mobile home or sectionalized building owner for the express purpose of moving mobile homes or sectionalized buildings.

(b) General permits shall be issued annually. One (1) permit shall be issued for each towing vehicle to be used as a component of a tractor-mobile home rig. The holder of a general permit may make, during the period of the permit, any number of mobile home or sectionalized building movements with the towing vehicle component of the tractor-mobile home rig for which the permit was granted.

(c) Special permits shall be limited to the particular movement of the mobile home or sectionalized building for which the special permit is issued. A person purchasing a mobile home or sectionalized building, but who does not have a legal title to the mobile home or sectionalized building, is considered the owner of the mobile home or sectionalized building for the purposes of this chapter if the person has a contract with the seller or the seller's assignee. However, such a person shall present to the granting authority a statement by the holder of the legal title to the mobile home or sectionalized building granting permission for the movement of the mobile home or sectionalized building.

As added by P.L.2-1991, SEC.8.

IC 9-20-14-4

Size and weight limitations

Sec. 4. A person may operate a vehicle towing a mobile home that has:

- (1) a combined overall length not greater than sixty (60) feet;
- (2) a width not greater than ninety-six (96) inches; and
- (3) a height not greater than thirteen (13) feet, six (6) inches;

without having to obtain a permit under this chapter.

As added by P.L.2-1991, SEC.8.

IC 9-20-14-5**Interstate highways; federal funds**

Sec. 5. This chapter does not apply to interstate highways to the extent that the application of this chapter to those highways would cause the state to be deprived of any federal funds for highway purposes.

As added by P.L.2-1991, SEC.8.

IC 9-20-14-6**Quarterly or annual permit**

Sec. 6. (a) This section applies to a person who purchases a quarterly or an annual permit under IC 9-29-6-7 to move a tractor-mobile home rig.

(b) A person described in subsection (a) shall use only the permissible routes for moving a tractor-mobile home rig. The person must check the daily detour and restriction bulletin before choosing a route to travel. If the person moves a tractor-mobile home rig on a route that is restricted or prohibited, the person's quarterly or annual permit may be revoked.

(c) If a person's quarterly or annual permit is revoked under subsection (b), the person may not obtain a new quarterly or annual permit for a period of ninety (90) days. The person may move a tractor-mobile home rig under a single trip permit until the person is eligible to obtain a new quarterly or annual permit.

As added by P.L.217-2003, SEC.3.